

Abstract

Equipment for continuous, horizontal casting of metal, in particular aluminium, the equipment including an insulated reservoir or pool (2), which is designed to contain liquid metal, and a releasably attached mould (3), which can be removed from the pool (2), with an insulating plate (19) with holes (25, 26) which communicate with the mould, the mould (3) including a preferably circular mould cavity (17) with a wall (12, 13) of permeable material for the supply of oil and gas. The wall provides primary cooling to the metal being cast and at least one slit or nozzles (16) arranged along the circumference of the cavity for the direct supply of coolant, providing secondary cooling at the metal. The primary cooling is so designed that it may be increased or reduced. That the insulating plate (19) is replaceable and, depending on the type of alloy and the cooling required, is designed to extend along the permeable material (12, 13) (at 24) in the cavity (17).